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1. BRIGGS REPORTS JUST RECEIVED, CONTAINING ANALYSES OF SAMPLES TAKEN FROM ALL HATCHES OF MISSOURI AND CAPE CHARLES, STATE CATEGORICALLY THAT ON BASIS EXAMINATIONS " WE ARE OF THE OPINION THAT THE CONSIGNMENT OF WHEAT IS FREE FROM DATURA (STRAMONIUM) AND/ OR OTHER POISONOUS SEEDS AND THE CONSIGNMENT OF WHEAT IS FIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION." ONLY EXCEPTION IS SMALL AMOUNT OF WATER- DAMAGED WHEAT IN HATCHES 5 AND 6 OF MISSOURI, NOT EXCEEDING ONE METRIC TON IN EACH CASE. THIS DAMAGED WHEAT UNFIT FOR HUMAN CON-SUMPTION.

2. WE HAVE INFORMED NEPALESE CONGEN OF REPORT AND SUGGESTED SHIPMENTS COULD BE RESUMED. NOT CLEAR WHETHER IT WISHES AWAIT CLEARANCE FROM HMG. KATHMANDU MAY WISH SUGGEST MHG ADVISE ITS CONGEN ON ACTION IT SHOULD TAKE.
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3. SAMPLES TAKEN BY BRIGGS WILL BE POUCHED MARCH 26. PLEASE ADVISE PRECISE ADDRESS TO WHICH THEY SHOULD BE SENT. COPIES OF BRIGGS' REPORTS ALSO BEING POUCHED AID/ W, AID/ KATHMANDU AND AID/ DELHI. WE ALSO PLAN GIVE COPIES TO NEPALESE CONGEN HERE IT IF SO REQUESTS.

4. RE PARA 2 REF. C, SMALLER BAGS WERE TO BE AVAILABLE BY MARCH 22 ACCORDING NEPALESE. ASSUME LARGER BAGS WERE BEING FILLED TO CAPACITY OR NEARLY SO. WILL CHECK AND ADVISE FURTHER.

5. RE PRA 3 REF. C., NEPALESE CONGEN NOW SAYS POINTS IN WESTERN NEPAL TO BE GIVEN PRIORITY, INCLUDING NEPALGANJ ROAD. IF NOT CORRECT SUGGEST HMG CLARIFY DIRECTLY WITH NEPALESE CONGEN.

6. RE PARA 5 REF. C, BELIEVE NO TESTING REQUIRED AT BORDER IN LIGHT BRIGGS' NEGATIVE REPORTS.

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